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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

PAUL ENGSTROM,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:21-cr-00190-APG-EJY

**Government's Motion to File a Surreply  
to Defendant's Reply to the  
Government's Response to Defendant's  
Motion for Extension to File All  
Pretrial Motions (ECF No. 103)**

The United States of America, by and through the undersigned, hereby respectfully files this Motion to File a Surreply to Defendant Paul Engstrom's *Reply to the Government's Response to Defendant's Motion for Extension to File All Pretrial Motions (ECF No. 103)*. The government seeks to address Engstrom's accusations that undersigned attempted to mislead this Court as well as Engstrom's unwillingness to sign for produced discovery. The government therefore asks that this Motion be granted and its Surreply (filed contemporaneously with this Motion) addressing these new arguments and issues be considered.

**POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

Local Rule 7-2 notes that the filing of surreplies are generally discouraged, but may be permitted with leave of the court. On December 13, 2021, Engstrom filed a motion to extend time. ECF No. 98. The government responded on December 20, 2021. ECF No. 101. On January 3, 2022, Engstrom replied. ECF No. 103. In Engstrom's reply, he accuses the government of misleading the Court in its Response. Additionally, despite Engstrom's representation that he is attempting to meet and confer with the government concerning discovery in good faith, the government has received information that Engstrom refused to sign for produced discovery. Engstrom's unsupported allegations of unethical conduct by underlying counsel and unwillingness to confirm receipt of produced discovery should warrant a response by the government.

**CONCLUSION**

Based on the foregoing, the government respectfully requests that its Motion be granted and the contemporaneously filed Surreply be considered by this Court.

**DATED** this 7th day of January, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted,

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